IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In Re Application Art Unit: 2633 Examiner: D. C. PAYNE Date Filed: June 19, 2001 Washington, D.C. OPTICAL ADD DROP... Atty.'s Docket: ORBACH=4 Date: May 4, 2004 Honorable Commissioner for Patents Confirmation No. 9649 RECEIVED U.S. Patent and Trademark Office 2011 South Clark Place Customer Window, Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment MAY 0 7 2004 Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03 Arlington, Virginia 22202 **Technology Center 2600** Sir: Transmitted herewith is a [X] REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS and one reference the above-identified application. Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27. [XX] No fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below: (Col. 1) (Col. 2) (Col. 3) SMALL ENTITY OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY CLAIMS HIGHEST NO. PRESENT ADDITIONAL RATE OR **ADDITIONAL** RATE REMAINING **PREVIOUSLY EXTRA** FEE FEE AFTER PAID FOR **EQUALS** AMENDMENT TOTAL 6 MINUS 20 9 \$ \$ 18 INDEP MINUS 43 \$ 86 \$ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM 145 \$ 290 \$ ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL \$ OR TOTAL S If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space. The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed. Conditional Petition for Extension of Time If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below: Small Entity Other Than Small Entity Response Filed Within Response Filed Within \$ 55.00 - \$ 210.00 420.00 \$ 475.00

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